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# President's Message

## Old Home Week

by Steve Guise, President

For all of you who missed our National Conference this year in Mesa, you were missed, and you missed a lot! I have had a number of calls from members these past weeks commenting on how they enjoyed the conference. Every year it gets better and your Past-President Mike Schiller gets to play more golf! I am at this moment looking for an indoor golf driving range for Mike to get his fix in St. Louis next year. If all else fails, we may have to drive some balls from under the Arch into the Mississippi.

Spring is upon us, at least for many of us. It's time for fertilizer, aerating, mowing and, of course, our nemesis overuse of your fields in wet conditions. In the South, we are just leaving those conditions behind, but up North, it's just beginning. We are working out new equipment purchased over the winter or trying out that newly renovated reel mower.

I have been busy here, too. I have made my selections for committee chairs for 1999, they are as follows: **Membership Recruitment:** Kurt Nilsson; **Chapter Relations:** Abby McNeal; **Education Co-Chairs:** Bob Campbell & Tony Koski; **Annual Conference & Exhibition:** Chair: Rich Moffitt, Education Co-Chairs: Lynda Wightman & Bob Campbell; Exhibits Chair: Bob Curry; Raffle/Auction: Tom Curran; **Awards & Scholarship:** Tim



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I will close with a special thank to all of you who made "old home week" the highlight of my year. We are all very lucky to be able to work in a career that is so rewarding and has so many charismatic characters within its membership. Keep the faith, summer is around the corner!

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